in other countries is not available." The hon. Member has mentioned that the loss in the refineries in other countries is 4 per cent. I cannot commit right now whether we will be able to reduce the loss to that level or not.

SARDAR JAGJIT SINGH AURORA: You can at least say as to how much you can bring it down to. If it is net 4 per cent, how are we going to achieve economy in the 8th Plan? Will that bring down to 4 per cent, 5 per cent?

SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: About percentage I cannot commit right now.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Inquiry into the accident of a Dormier aircraft of Vayudoot

*103. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the inquiry ordered into the accident involving a Dormier 228 aircraft of Vayudoot which took place on the 23rd December, 1989 has still not been completed;

(b) if so, by when it is likely to be completed;

(c) whether any compensation has been paid to the next of kin of the victims; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI HARMOHAN DHAWAN): (a) and (b) Following the stay granted by the Hon'ble Bombay High Court on 6.8.90 prohibiting continuous of proceedings before the Court of Inquiry investigating the accident, the Government set up a Committee of Inquiry to inquire into the accident. The Committee of Inquiry is likely to submit its report by 30.3.91.

(c) and (d) Compensation has been paid to the families of all the deceased passengers. In addition, employment has been provided to the relatives of three of deceased passengers.

Amount due under DPEA

*104. SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN:

CHOWDHARY HARI SINGH:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 398 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 2nd January, 1991 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that for the last more than two years, huge amount is due from each company under the Drug Prices Equalisation Account;

(b) when was the amount communiated to each company and since when the amount is due from each;

(c) whether his Ministry has worked out any interest on the amount due;

(d) if so, what is the amount of interest calculated in each case and the period involved; and

(e) the action taken under provision of Section 7-A of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 to recover the amounts as arrears of land revenue?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA): (a) and (b) A statement showing the latest amount due from various companies on a tentative basis is attached. (*See* Appendix CLVII, Annexure No. 13). The amounts were communicated to